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Nitrous Oxide

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir/Madam:

This Amendment and Response is submitted in response to the Office Action dated June 28, 2004 in the above referenced patent application. Please enter and consider the following amendments and remarks.

Amendment to the Specification are reflected on Page 2 of this paper

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on Page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7.